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# CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST

Friday, September 30, 2005
Board of County Commissioners Chambers
111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street
Miami, FL
10 a.m.

# **Summary of Minutes**

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marc A. Buoniconti, Chairman Harold Braynon, Jr. Maureen O'Donnell Susannah Troner Hon. Linda Zilber Hon. Anna E. Ward, Ph.D. Hon. Jorge Rodriguez-Chomat Miles Moss, P.E., Vice-Chairman Henry Lee Givens Angelberto "Angel" DeCoro Theodore Wilde Rodney Sanders Yolanda Aguilar

## **ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

Bruce Libhaber

# **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Carlos F. Bonzon, Ph.D., P.E., Assistant County Manager Nan A. Markowitz, Executive Director, OCITT Andrea Young, CTAC Jorge E. Hernandez, City of Hialeah Sandra Melean, PWD Rachel Baum, Director, Finance Marlene Amaro, OCITT Rodney McMillian, PWD Betty Alexander, DBD Frank Hinton, Finance Barbara Bravo, OCITT Isabel Gonzalez-Jettinghoff, IMG Graciela Cespedes, Finance

Kevin Brown, City of Miami Maria E. Johnson, OCITT Alvaro Alonso, City of Miami Lourdes Gomez, MDT Patrice Rosemond, OCITT Joanna Santiago, OCITT Nestor Toledo, OCITT Nya Lake, OCITT Patty David, OCITT Henry F. Sori, PWD Dianne Johnson, City of Miami

#### **SWEARING-IN OF NEW TRUST MEMBERS**

Mr. Marc A. Buoniconti, Chairman, introduced and welcomed the new Members and reappointments. Ms. Kay Sullivan, Deputy Clerk of Courts, conducted the swearing-in of the new Members and the re-appointments.

- Mr. Rodney Sanders appointed by Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.
- Mr. Harold Braynon re-appointed by Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle.
- The Honorable Anna E. Ward, Ph.D., appointed by Commissioner Barbara Carey-Shuler. Ed.D.
- The Honorable Linda Zilber re-appointed by Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.
- The Honorable Jorge Rodriguez-Chomat appointed by Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

Mr. Angelberto "Angel" DeCoro - appointed by Commissioner Natacha Seijas.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

With a quorum present, Mr. Buoniconti called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Ms. Zilber moved to approve the agenda of September 30, 2005. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reeder and carried without dissent. Mr. Givens asked for an amendment to the agenda to include a prayer for the victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and a prayer for Simon Wiesenthal, holocaust survivor. Mr. Givens congratulated Ronald L. Barnes, Deputy Director, Miami Dade Transit, on becoming the Chair of the American Public Transportation Association (APTA). Mr. Buoniconti stated that the amendment will be included under new business.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES- JUNE 29, 2005**

Ms. Zilber moved to approve the minutes of July 27, 2005, as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Troner and carried without dissent. Dr. Ward stated that a name was excluded from the minutes on page 9. Mr. Wilde also corrected the location of the meeting which took place in Homestead.

# **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

#### **PRESENTATION**

## Municipal Bonds 101 - Rachel Baum, Director, Finance Department

Ms. Rachel Baum presented a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of the presentation was distributed) on the purpose of issuing debt and the mechanics of bonds. Ms. Baum also explained the different types of bonds. Mr. Buoniconti inquired how the County balances between issuing bonds and pay-as-you-go. Ms. Baum responded that if the department doing the purchasing has the budgeted funds then it can make the purchase. If the purchase exceeds the budgeted funds it will be bonded out and the payments will have to be made over time. Mr. Buoniconti stated that the CITT should have the opportunity to provide input on bonding. Mr. Givens requested that Mr. Libhaber explain the proper procedure. Mr. Libhaber replied that contracts are presented to the CITT, but the initial determination is made by MDT's Finance Department. Mr. Buoniconti stated that the CITT Members should be more involved in the bond process. Mr. Wilde asked who in the County decides when a bond should be issued. Ms. Baum replied pay-as-you-go is the way the County prefers to pay, but no one person makes the actual decision when to issue a bond. Mr. Wilde questioned if transit projects have the same bond rating as the County does for its general obligation bonds, or will we pay a different interest rate. Ms. Baum responded that the surtax would probably have the same rating or be slightly lower. Dr. Ward asked if the ordinance authorized the PTP to have bonding authority. Ms. Baum stated that the BCC approved an ordinance (05-48) to issue future bonds not to exceed \$500 million. However, no bonds can be issued at this time until the BCC adopts the first bond resolution. Dr. Ward stated that she was unable to find any bonding authority in the By-laws. Mr. Libhaber informed Dr. Ward that the state statute authorizes the County to have a surtax and allows the payment of debt service with the sales tax, and the debt service will be the bonds. He also stated that the statute does not refer to the bond directly, but the contracts that the CITT approve, does state the funding source, and that may include bonds, depending on the contract. Ms. Baum informed the Committee that only the BCC could issue bonds. Mr. Buoniconti requested that further discussion on bonding take place later.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

A. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (JPA) BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MIAMI TO PROVIDE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$840,000 FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG SOUTH MIAMI AVENUE FROM SE 25 ROAD TO SE 15 ROAD (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7A; seconded by Ms. Aguilar and carried without dissent.

Mr. Givens suggested that a map be included with the action items to show the location being presented. Mr. Givens stated that the type of area should be included in the item, if it is residential or commercial. Furthermore, Mr. Givens requested for staff to brief the respective District CITT Member prior to the meetings.

B. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (JPA) BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MIAMI TO PROVIDE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000 FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. BOULEVARD FROM NW 37 AVENUE TO NW 5 PLACE (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7B; seconded by Ms. Aguilar and carried without dissent.

Mr. Sanders asked what types of improvements are going to be made. Ms. Dianne Johnson and Kevin Brown, City of Miami, Department of Capital Improvements and Transportation, explained the improvements made to the sidewalks, asphalt, and some striping. Mr. Givens mentioned that Miami-Dade County does not have a Public Involvement Plan in place. Dr. Bonzon responded that there is a draft for a Public Involvement Plan for Miami-Dade County. Dr. Bonzon also sated that the City of Miami is obligated to submit a Public Involvement Plan to the PWD before they begin construction. Ms. Aguilar asked if a feasibility study was done on the condition of the existing water line, sewer line, and storm water lines. Mr. Brown stated that the City of Miami coordinated with the WASD and utility companies to upgrade several water lines, and there are no future projects known. Mr. Brown also stated that after evaluating the storm water lines the same does not apply. Mr. Sanders asked if the Trust will have access to the community and the vendor's written concerns. Ms. Johnson replied that throughout the development of the project, meetings were held with the MLK Economic Development Council and the Urban Enhancement Team. Ms. Markowitz requested the minutes from past meetings and would like to be informed of any upcoming meetings. Ms. Johnson assured Ms. Markowitz that she will provide any information that can be acquired. Mr. Wilde raised the question as to what was learned from the Grand Avenue Project and the difficulties faced. He also requested an advance copy of the City of Miami's PIP for this

Comment: Confusing statement

project. Ms. Johnson responded that the City of Miami has a draft for the PIP for this project. In addition, she stated that the City has learned from past mistakes and will be more proactive with the community concerns. They will meet with the neighborhood groups and will have a publicly noticed community meeting. Mr. Wilde asked if the bus shelters would be included in the plan. Mr. Brown replied that bus shelters are handled by Miami-Dade County. Dr. Bonzon stated that Somosa has a contract with Miami-Dade Transit to install bus shelters, and he will make sure that they are installed. Mr. Libhaber informed the Committee that the City of Miami can access the Somosa contract with the County, and the contract is only for unincorporated Miami-Dade County. He also stated that Miami-Dade County could not place shelters in incorporated Miami-Dade County, because there is no contract to do so.

Mr. Givens suggested for Ms. Johnson to check the Portland Plan for ideas on what to include in the City of Miami's PIP.

C. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (JPA) BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HIALEAH TO REIMBURSE THE CITY \$1,765,000 OVER FOUR YEARS FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG WEST 60 STREET FROM WEST 12 AVENUE TO WEST 4 AVENUE (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7C; seconded by Ms. Aguilar and carried without dissent.

Mr. Givens inquired if the JPA included a Community Small Business Enterprise (CSBE) component. Mr. Henry Sori, PWD, stated that section 14 of the JPA stipulates that the City of Hialeah must adhere to DBD requirements.

D. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, APPROVING THE USE OF SURTAX FUNDS FOR SMALL PURCHASE ORDERS USED BY **MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT DEPARTMENT** (MDT) FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) DURING THE MONTHS OF MAY AND JUNE 2005

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7D; seconded by Ms. Aguilar and carried without dissent.

E. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS FOR WORK ORDERS ISSUED BY MIAMIDADE TRANSIT DEPARTMENT (MDT) UNDER THE MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE IN SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7E; seconded by Ms. Zilber and carried without dissent.

F. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, APPROVING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS FOR CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES ACCESSED BY MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT DEPARTMENT (MDT) FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7F; seconded by Ms. Troner and carried without dissent.

G. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF COMPETITIVELY BID CONTRACTS (ITEMS 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.9,1.10, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4,), FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES PROCESSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT MANAGEMENT (DPM) ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT (MDT) AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7G; seconded by Ms. Troner and carried without dissent.

H. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN MAG CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NUMBER 20050115 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Braynon moved to approve Action Item 7H; seconded by Mr. Moss and carried without dissent.

I. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN MAGESCO, INC., AND THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION PROJECT NUMBER 20050106 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7I; seconded by Mr. DeCoro and carried without dissent.

J. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN MAGESCO, INC., AND THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION PROJECT NUMBER 20050104 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. O'Donnell moved to approve Action Item 7J; seconded by Ms. Zilber and carried without dissent.

K. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN BERLO INDUSTRY, INC., AND THE **MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD**) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PAVING STRIPING PROJECT NUMBER 20050108 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. O'Donnell moved to approve Action Item 7K; seconded by Mr. Givens and carried without dissent.

L. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN M.E.F. CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) ADA SIDEWALK COMPLIANCE PROJECT NUMBER 20050030 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Aguilar moved to approve Action Item 7L; seconded by Ms. O'Donnell and carried without dissent.

M. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING A WORK ORDER RECOMMENDATION BETWEEN MASTEC NORTH AMERICA, INC., AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) PROJECT ENTITLED, FLASHING SCHOOL SIGNAL PROJECT NO. 20040512 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7M; seconded by Mr. Braynon and carried without dissent.

N. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, APPROVING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS FOR CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES ACCESSED BY MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD) FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7N; seconded by Mr. Givens and carried without dissent.

O. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AWARDING A CONTRACT BETWEEN CEB CONSTRUCTION, INC., AND THE **MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (PWD)** FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NUMBER 20050114 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. O'Donnell moved to approve Action Item 7O; seconded by Mr. Givens and carried without dissent.

P. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, APPROVING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS FOR CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES ACCESSED BY THE **OFFICE OF THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (OCITT)** FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2004 AND 2005 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Mr. Moss moved to approve Action Item 7P; seconded by Mr. Braynon and carried without dissent.

Q. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, APPROVING THE USE OF CHARTER COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM SALES SURTAX FUNDS FOR SMALL PURCHASE ORDERS USED BY THE **OFFICE OF THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (OCITT)** FOR PURCHASES IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2004 AND 2005 (Forwarded with a Favorable Recommendation by the Project and Financial Review Committee)

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 7Q; seconded by Ms. Aguilar and carried without dissent.

R. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) APPROVING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' (BCC) ACTION, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF COMPETITIVE BIDS (ITEMS 1.2) FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES PROCESSED BY THE DPM ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (OCITT)

Mr. Braynon moved to approve Action Item 7R; seconded by Ms. O'Donnell and carried without dissent.

S. RESOLUTION BY THE CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT TRANSPORTATION TRUST (CITT) RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THAMARA LABROUSSE FOR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO THIS BOARD AND TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Ms. Zilber moved to approve Action Item 5A; seconded by Mr. Givens and carried without dissent.

Mr. Buoniconti stated that he would like to thank Ms. Labrousse for her friendship; he enjoyed working with her and wished her good luck.

T. Selection of Chairperson

Marc Buoniconti was re-elected as Chairperson of the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust Committee.

U. Selection of Vice-Chairperson

Harold Braynon Jr. was elected as the Vice-Chairperson of the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust Committee.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **CHAIRPERSON - MARC A. BUONICONTI**

- Mr. Buoniconti announced that the next CITT/BCC Joint Workshop is scheduled for October 25, 2005.
- Mr. Givens stated that the PTP indicated that the CITT should hold periodic meetings to update the community on its accomplishments. Mr. Buoniconti responded that the Community Outreach Committee would be coordinating that event.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH - MAYOR LINDA ZILBER**

Ms. Zilber reported that the committee met on September 21, 2005, at 2 p.m., and discussed the following:

- Michael De Cossio, Chief of Marketing and Communications, MDT presented the Miami-Dade Transit Public Involvement and Promotional Campaign.
- Ms. Zilber also stated that Nestor Toledo, Municipal Liaison, OCITT gave an update on the municipalities.

- Ms. Zilber informed the Committee that a discussion was started on what to do about funding with the new cities.
- An addition to the By-laws regarding the importance of establishing a process for members' request.

# **PROJECT AND FINANCIAL REVIEW - MILES MOSS**

The Project and Financial Review Committee met on October 11, 2005, and discussed the following:

- Agenda items 7A to 7R were covered in detail.
- Presentations were made by the Florida Department of Transportation regarding the pros and cons of building bridges and tunnels.
- Pedestrian crossings and pedestrian safety on US1 and prioritizing the locations of the pedestrian overpasses were discussed.
- IMG gave and update on its progress.
- Urban Development Boundary (UDB) was discussed, what it is, and how it affects the CITT. A UDB workshop was held on September 21, 2005.
- Proposed UDB resolution was distributed and reviewed. The Committee suggested that further discussion take place at the next Project and Financial Review meeting on October 11, 2005.

Mr. Buoniconti thanked Mr. Givens for serving as chairman of the Compliance and Oversight Committee, and he informed the Members that Mr. Givens term expired in September 2005. Mr. Givens thanked the Committee for the opportunity to serve. He also suggested that the CITT organize a retreat to discuss goals and objectives. Ms. Markowitz stated that she would work on scheduling a retreat with a facilitator. Mr. Givens stated that he feels the Committee should be more active in assisting the Community.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT- NAN MARKOWITZ**

- Mr. Markowitz reported that a handout was distributed regarding the feasibility study for the new municipalities. A meeting is being scheduled with the County Manager to discuss the feasibility study.
- Informed the Committee that at the last Community Outreach meeting, the feasibility study of the municipalities was discussed, and further discussion will take place at the Project and Financial Review Meeting and Community Outreach Meeting (required to respond in 60 days the RTC's resolution R-1056-05).
- Ms. Markowitz stated that letters were distributed on information requested by Mr.
  Givens regarding pedestrian crossing, as well as a letter from Mr. Givens to the
  Members. Mr. Givens responded that he had a problem with his letter being
  announced and not explained. He stated that the letter informed the Members of a
  meeting with the Regional Transportation Committee regarding the PIP.

Mr. Wilde asked if the CITT has accepted the request from the BCC for the feasibility study. Mr. Libhaber clarified that the BCC requested a feasibility study from the County Manager with the input of the CITT. Mr. Wilde asked if the BCC and the Regional Transportation Committee would be giving their input to the County Manager. Mr. Buoniconti suggested the Committee create a resolution for the feasibility study and present it at the next Project and Financial Review meeting and the Community Outreach meeting. Mr. Sanders suggested that each Member seek their perspective their Commissioner's and community's input.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Braynon stated that the CITT should get involved in the Transit Village Project on NW 62nd Street and 7th Avenue. Mr. Buoniconti asked if the Transit Village is a PTP project. Ms. Lourdes Gomez, MDT, stated that the Transit Village is not a PTP project and she will have more information regarding the project at the Project and Financial Review meeting. Mr. Givens suggested that a meeting be held with all the organizations involved in the Transit Ms. Markowitz stated that she would get with MDT and schedule a meeting regarding the Transit Village. Mr. Moss suggested that Transportation Advisory Committee and those involved with the Transit Village arrange the meeting and the CITT attend the meeting to get familiar with the project. Ms. Andrea Young, CTAC, offered to coordinate the meeting for the Transit Village. Mr. Buoniconti asked Dr. Bonzon for the timeline on the Transit Village and if it would require PTP funds. Dr. Bonzon stated that at this time, that information is unavailable and the MDT is working on it. He also stated that a report would be prepared for the Trust. Mr. Braynon informed the Trust that he would like a committee formed to monitor the Transit Village, provided PTP funds are involved. Mr. Wilde asked if the City of Miami project and 62nd Street project could be combined with the Transit Village. Ms. Markowitz stated that she would look into that information and get back to the Trust.

Mr. Braynon was appointed as Chairperson of the Compliance and Oversight Committee.

Mr. Wilde commented on the Miami-Dade Transit Article in the Miami Herald. Dr. Bonzon responded that Mr. Roosevelt Bradley, Director, MDT, has issued a memorandum stating why the Wackenhut allegations had no merit. He also stated that the County Manager has requested Cathy Jackson, Director, Audit and Management Services to conduct a full audit of the Wackenhut Corporation.

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Mr. Givens requested that CITT convene a Transportation Conference.

Mr. Buoniconti thanked Mr. Moss for his service as Vice-Chairperson.

## **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

None

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Buoniconti announced that the next CITT meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 31, 2005, at 3 p.m., 111 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Street, BCC Chambers.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

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